

**Physical Security Controls**  
**Library of Congress Protection Prioritization Matrix**  
 (by cycle and tiers of risk)

Physical Security Controls In-Use Cycle	Platinum (Treasures)	Gold (rare items having prohibitively high replacement cost, high market value, and significant cultural or historical importance)	Silver (items requiring special handling, such as computer software, videos, or compact discs)	Bronze (items served in reading rooms without special restrictions and items eligible for loan without stringent restrictions)	Copper (items the Library does not intend to archive; some are evaluated for use in the exchange and gift program)
	Risk Continuum →				
Reader registration					
Reading room reconfiguration					
Personal belongings restrictions					
Item-level inspections					
Compartmentalization of reader service					
Controlled service					
Random patrols					
Security monitor					
Continuous staff observation					
Closed-circuit video, level 2					
Closed-circuit video, level 1					
Identification badges					
Entrance inspection					
X-ray/magnetometer screening at doors					
Theft detection gates					
Exit inspection					